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## **BCSD Voters to Consider Supplemental Levy May 21**

HAILEY, ID — A Supplemental Levy that would provide financial support for four programs in the Blaine County School District will appear on the ballot Tuesday, May 21.

Per [Idaho Code](#), Supplemental Levy revenue can be used for staff salaries and benefits and student activities and programs, among other needs. An approved Supplemental Levy next month would provide BCSD with \$1.85 million annually for two years, which would be used for:

- Gifted and Talented Program salaries (\$282,043) and benefits (\$94,014)
- Preschool salaries (\$354,362) and benefits (\$118,121)
- Half of Kindergarten salaries (\$508,134) and benefits (\$169,378)
- Summer School salaries (\$242,961) and benefits (\$80,987)

The average estimated cost to BCSD property taxpayers would be \$8.53 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value, per year, based on current conditions. The levy would be assessed for two years beginning July 1, 2024, and end at the conclusion of the 2025-26 school year.

Supplemental levies require 50 percent +1 approval to pass.

The polls will be open on election day from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Polling locations can be found at <https://elections.sos.idaho.gov/ElectionLink/ElectionLink/ViewPollingLocation.aspx>.

Blaine County election information is available at <https://www.co.blaine.id.us/196/Elections>.

The Supplemental Levy on the May 21 ballot differs from the Plant Facilities Levy that was approved by BCSD voters in August 2022. Funds from a Plant Facilities Levy are allowed by law for the improvement and maintenance of existing buildings, and not operational expenses.

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